

## UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

Mr. Clarence L. Smith, Manager Federal Site Remediation Section Division of Remediation Management Bureau of Land Illinois Environmental Protection Agency 1021 North Grand Avenue East P.O Box 19276 Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276

Dear Mr. Smith:

This letter is to notify you that EPA approves of the Final Completion Report for the leachate component of the Source Area 4 Remedial Action at the Southeast Rockford Site. Start up of the system began on December 1, 2009. After a period of operation and maintenance, EPA and IEPA considered the system operational and functional on October 6, 2010. EPA has reviewed the Leachate Component Remedial Action Completion Report, dated February 2011, that was submitted by IEPA. EPA approves of that document and considers this portion of the Source Area 4 remedy complete.

Congratulations on the successful completion of this portion of the SE Rockford site remedy. I look forward to our working together to complete the remaining elements of the site remedy.

Sincerely,

Thomas R. Short Jr., Chief,

Remedial Response Branch #2